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Enclosed is a copy of a supplementary European search report for corresponding application No. 04792445.1 – 1253, dated November 9, 2011, and the English translated references cited therein.

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